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Subject: Completion of FYR Issues and Recommendations

Attachments: Region 3- FYR Issues and Recs Not Completed FY2015 FYRs.pdf

Hello,

As part of our ongoing efforts to improve the quality and accountability of the five-year review (FYR) process, we monitor the implementation of recommendations identified in FYR reports. This year we are beginning a new procedure to encourage completion of recommendations before the next FYR. Attached to this email you will find a SEMS report that includes issues and recommendations that are not yet complete, specifically for sites that have FYRs due in about 2 years (i.e., during FY2020). We expect that moving forward, we will provide this report during the first quarter of each fiscal year. You can run this report at any time in the SEMS Reporting Tool; this report is entitled *FYR-004 Issues and Recommendations*.

We encourage RPMs and managers, if you have not already, to begin planning to implement the recommendations identified in the previous FYRs. In reviewing FYRs, my staff have noticed a number of issues carrying over into the next FYR because the recommendations identified in the previous FYR have not been implemented. We have chosen to include issues and recommendation from FYRs due in two years with the thinking that if progress has not been made in the first 3 years from the previous FYR, some additional attention may allow for these recommendations to be implemented before the next FYR is due. This is meant to result in more of these issues being completed, or at least moving substantially towards completion, by the time of the next FYR.

While the attached report is not the same as the report usually shared twice a year, it is still our expectation that issues and recommendations are updated at least every six months in SEMS. You can expect to get the report identifying recommendations that have not been updated in the last six months during the third quarter of this year. If you are interested in seeing the current version of that report, you can run the report in SEMS Reporting Tool at any time; the report is entitled *FYR-006 Issues and Recommendations - Date Updated/Verified RPM Report*. If you need assistance running this report, or would like HQ to provide it to you for your region, please contact Jenn Edwards.

We recognize that implementing recommendations identified in FYRs can often take a number of years. However, we believe it is important to make every effort to address those issues identified prior to the next FYR. We encourage you and your RPMs to review the attached report to identify opportunities to make progress on these issues and update SEMS to reflect the current status of these recommendations.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me or Jenn Edwards of my staff at 703-603-8762. **This topic is also on the agenda for tomorrow's national Branch Chiefs call.**

Thanks, Jen

Note: the issues considered "not yet completed" for this exercise are those with an "Issue/Rec Status" indicated in SEMS of anything other than "Complete" or "Considered and Not Implemented."

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